



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON  
parks and recreation



# **Fourth of July Parade Rules and Regulations**

**Any entry that fails to comply with any of the below rules and regulations will not be allowed to participate in the parade.**

## **PREPARING FOR PARADE:**

- Please designate only one parade contact person.
- All entries must have completed an application and paid the \$15 entry fee (Check payable to Bloomington Parks and Recreation) by Monday June 16th.
- No one under the age of 6 will be permitted to march unless prior permission has been granted by parade officials.
- All participants must be uniformed, costumed or appropriately attired.
- Entrants should coordinate with the parade theme in some manner. The theme for 2008 is "Celebrating 100 years".
- We ask all participants to be creative this year and really add some excitement to your parade entry. Some things that could add some FUN to your entry are a themed float, lawn chair brigade, drummers, colorful or patriotic flags, balloons, hula hoops, bicycles, music, jugglers, stilts or unicycles. Please feel free to call or email me with any questions concerning the parade or if you just want to brainstorm some new and creative ways to make your entry stand out this year.
- All dignitaries are expected to provide their own convertibles, drivers and signage and follow all registration procedures.
- Awards will be given out in the following categories:  
Best Use of Theme, Best Youth Entry, Best Antique Auto, Best Equestrian, Best Musical Entry, Best Overall Entry, Most Creative Entry, and Best Walking Entry.

## **GROUP LEADER RESPONSIBILITIES (MAIN CONTACT):**

- Leaders are responsible to communicate all rules and regulations to their group members.
- Please print this and hand out to parade participants. If you need additional copies, we will have some available.
- Signed waivers including parental signatures for participants under the age of 18 must be submitted to the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department at packet pick-up on Thursday June 26th. You can pick up your packet from 8:00am - 5:00pm in the Parks and Recreation Office in Suite 250 of City Hall (the Showers Building).
- Check-in the morning of the parade will be from 7am - 8:45am and all participants must be in their assigned holding spot by 9am.
- You will not be allowed to participant in the parade without a completed waiver.

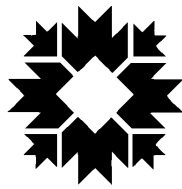
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## CHECKING IN FOR PARADE:

- Check-in the morning of the parade will be from 7am - 8:45am and all participants must be in their assigned holding spot by 9am. You must have picked up your parade packet prior to check-in.
- **Only vehicles that will be used during the parade will be allowed to enter the holding zones. Parking for all others is available at Regester Parking Garage on 7<sup>th</sup> Street between College Ave and Morton Street. For more information on parking see the additional map for "Parade Parking" that will be included in your packet at packet pick-up**
- All entries will be reviewed and approved by parade officials prior to the parade, any entry that is deemed inappropriate will not be allowed to participate.

## DURING THE PARADE:

- Nothing may be thrown (i.e. candy, flags, buttons) from any parade entry. Violators will be removed from the parade, while in route, if necessary. Items may be handed to parade observers.
- The front rider or group leader in each entry must wear the entry number on their right arm for the duration of the parade.
- All entrants must carry an identification banner.
- FORWARD motion must be maintained throughout the entire parade route. DO NOT PLAN ROUTINES IN WHICH PARTICIPANTS STOP AND PERFORM WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL. This creates gaps in the parade.
- Entries will not be allowed to stop in front of the reviewing stand.
- As you proceed through the route, please leave sufficient room between entries, allowing spectators to differentiate your entry from the entry before you.



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## Fourth of July Parade—Application

The Monroe County Courthouse is turning 100 and we will celebrate at the parade with a theme of "Celebrating 100 Years". You are encouraged to celebrate as well, by matching the theme and celebrating an achievement in the last 100 years.

**Friday, July 4th 10:00 am**

**\$15 Entry Fee**

Payable to: City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation

Applicants must complete the front and back of this form. Application deadline is Monday, June 16th  
(In the event that an entry is not accepted the \$15 entry fee will be returned)

**Special Thank You to:**  
**The American Legion**  
Burton Woolery Post 18

One unit per entry form

Individual's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Unit Description

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ Equestrian (Rider's name \_\_\_\_\_; Horses name \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Band (Name: \_\_\_\_\_ #people \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Uniformed Marching Unit (Name: \_\_\_\_\_ #people \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Antique Automobile (Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Float (Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Length including vehicle \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Truck (Type: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Emergency Vehicle (Type: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Bicycle (Number of Bikes: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Four—wheel Drive (Theme decorated vehicles only please)
- ☐ Politician (Walking \_\_\_ or Riding \_\_\_)
- ☐ Dignitaries (Walking \_\_\_ or Riding \_\_\_)
- ☐ Queen (Walking \_\_\_ or Riding \_\_\_)
- ☐ Amplified Music
- ☐ Other (please explain \_\_\_\_\_)

The parade is a family oriented event and entries must be age appropriate. Any entry that is deemed inappropriate by parade officials will be removed from the parade. No on-site/day of applications will be allowed.

ANYONE PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE MUST  
SIGN THE ENCLOSED WAIVER. PARTICIPANTS  
UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST HAVE A  
PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGN FOR THEM.

COMPLETED WAIVERS ARE DUE AT PACKET  
PICK-UP ON **THURSDAY JUNE 26** from  
**8:00am—5:00pm.**

Information on your organization for the Parade Announcers:

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Return Entries to:  
City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation  
Attention: Sarah Nix  
PO Box 848  
Bloomington, IN 47402  
Fax: 812-349-3705  
Phone: 349-3748



**Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MUST be signed to participate!**

The undersigned is the adult Program Participant, or is the parent or legal guardian of the Program Participant. The undersigned hereby states that s/he understands the activities that will take place in this program, and that the Program Participant is physically and mentally able to participate in this program. The undersigned recognizes, as with any activity, there is risk of injury. In the event that the Program Participant sustains an injury in the course of the program, and the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department is unable to contact the appropriate person(s) to obtain consent for treatment, the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department and/or its employees or volunteers are authorized to take reasonable steps to obtain appropriate medical treatment. The Program Participant and/or his/her parent or legal guardian shall be responsible for the cost of such treatment. The Undersigned now releases the City of Bloomington, the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department, its employees, agents, and assigns, from any claims including, but not limited to, personal injuries or damage to property caused by or having any relation to this activity. It is understood that this release applies to any present or future injuries and that it binds the Undersigned, Undersigned's spouse, heirs, executors and administrators. The Program Participant may be photographed and videotaped while participating in Parks and Recreation activities, and consent is given for the reproduction of such photos or videos for advertising and publicity.

I have read this release and understand all of its terms. I agree with its terms and sign it voluntarily.

**PRINT YOUR NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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